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Public Hearing on New Federal Requirements for Licensed and Certified Real Estate Appraisers

MADISON . . . The Real Estate Appraisers Board will hold a public hearing on proposed rules related to the adoption of the new federal educational requirements for Real Estate Appraisers. The proposed rules would create significant changes in education requirements that would be effective January 1, 2008. The public hearing will be held at the time and location noted below.

Hearing Date, Time and Location

Date: May 10, 2006 Time: 9:15 A.M.

Location: 1400 East Washington Avenue

Room 121C

(Enter at 55 Dickinson Street)

Madison, Wisconsin

APPEARANCES AT THE HEARING:

Interested persons are invited to present information at the hearing. Persons appearing may make an oral presentation but are urged to submit facts, opinions and argument in writing as well. Facts, opinions and argument may also be submitted in writing without a personal appearance by mail addressed to the Department of Regulation and Licensing, Office of Legal Counsel, 1400 East Washington Avenue, Room 152, P.O. Box 8935, Madison, Wisconsin 53708, or by e-mail to pamela.haack@drl.state.wi.us. Written comments must be received by May 22, 2006 to be included in the record of rulemaking proceedings.

New Requirements

• Increased hours of education:

Licensed:	From 90 to 150 hours
Certified Residential:	From 120 to 200 hours
Certified General:	From 180 to 300 hours

• New college level courses or degrees from an accredited college or university:

Licensed:	None
Certified Residential:	New: Associate degree, or 21 semester credit hours in specific content areas*
Certified General:	New: Bachelors' degree, or 30
Certified General.	semester credit hours in specific content areas*

*Degree Equivalents

Associate degree: In lieu of a required associate degree, 21 semester credit hours from an accredited college or university covering the following subjects: English Composition; Principles of Economics (Micro or Macro); Finance; Algebra, Geometry or higher mathematics; Statistics; Introduction to Computers—Word Processing/Spreadsheets; and Business or Real Estate Law.

Bachelors degree: In lieu of a required bachelor's degree, 30 semester credit hours from an accredited college or university covering the following subjects: English Composition; Micro Economics; Macro Economics; Finance; Algebra, Geometry or higher mathematics; Statistics; Introduction to Computers—Word Processing/Spreadsheets; Business or Real Estate Law; and two elective courses in accounting, geography, ag-economics, business management, or real estate.

• New core curriculum for each appraiser level

Course Content	Licensed Residential	Certified Residential	Certified General
	Hours	Hours	Hours
Basic Appraisal Principles	30	30	30
Basic Appraisal Procedures	30	30	30
15 Hour National USPAP	15	15	15
Residential Market Analysis	15	15	
&Highest and Best Use			
Residential Site Valuation	15	15	
and Cost Approach			
Residential Sales Comparison	30	30	
and Income Approaches			
Residential Report Writing	15	15	
and Case Studies			
Statistics, Modeling and		15	15
Finance			
Advanced Residential		15	
Applications and Case Studies			
General Appraiser Market			30
Analysis & Highest and Best			
Use			
General Appraiser Sales			30
Comparison Approach			
General Appraiser Site			30
Valuation and Cost Approach			
General Appraiser Income			60
Approach			
General Appraiser Report			30
Writing and Case Studies			
Appraisal Subject Matter		20	30
Electives			
TOTALS	150	200	300

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